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Governor appoints new ServeNebraska Commissioners

(Lincoln, Neb.) ServeNebraska, the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission is proud to announce Governor Dave Heineman's three new volunteer commissioner appointments. Newly appointed commissioners will join a 15-member roster of Nebraska representatives from the public and private sectors. Appointment terms are for 3 years and are renewable. ServeNebraska develops and manages programs and initiatives to mobilize Nebraskans to get involved with community service and volunteering, including the state's AmeriCorps programs. If interested in learning about serving as a commissioner, visit ServeNebraska online at www.serve.nebraska.gov or contact Executive Director, Cathy Plager at (402) 471-6226 or cathleen.plager@nebraska.gov.

The new Commissioners:

Matthew Schulte is the Executive Director of Lincoln Campus Life. He has grown up knowing and believing in the mission of youth for Christ. He has a passion for pointing teenagers to Christ and desires to see ministry flourish in every middle and high school in the Lincoln area. Matt is a graduate of Grand Island Senior High School. He received his Bachelor's degree from John Brown University and his Master's degree is in Nonprofit Management and Leadership from Spertus Institute in Chicago, Illinois. Matt loves spending time with his wife Kristin and children, reading, and studying Parakeets.

Jerry Sellentin brings a wealth of talent and experience to the Commission through leadership roles in non-profit and government agencies over the span of a 37 year career. Jerry was appointed Interim Executive Director of ServeNebraska from January through April 2013. He is a graduate of the University of Nebraska Lincoln (UNL) where he received a Bachelor's degree in Education, a Master's degree in Adult & Continuing Education and a PhD in Community and Human Resources. Jerry served as the Executive Director of the Nebraska Council of School Administrators and former Director of Nebraska State Personnel among other positions. Jerry is actively involved in the Lincoln community in various volunteer positions with Rotary, the Lincoln City Library Foundation, and the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) through UNL. Additionally, he is an adjunct professor at UNL, in the College of Business Administration. Jerry and his wife enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren.

Lisa Willman resides in Grand Island and is a State Farm insurance agent. She is a graduate of Chadron State College with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and Speech Communications. Lisa is the co-founder of the GRACE Foundation established in 2008 to help local cancer patients and their families in the fight against cancer. In 2012, Lisa was named Grand Island Woman of the Year and joins the Commission with a wealth of board experience. As coalition coordinator, she assisted with the Nebraska State Fair move from Lincoln to Grand Island and served as the first volunteer coordinator. She is an active volunteer for the Grand Island Chamber of Commerce and in her children's schools and her church. Lisa enjoys spending family time with her husband and three daughters.

Outgoing commissioners include Lorinda Krance Brown, an advocate and educator on behalf of the disabled community in Grand Island; Janice Fitts, Executive Director of the Community Action Partnership of Western Nebraska (CAPWN) and resides in Gering; April Kelly is the Chief Operations Officer for Vitru, Inc. in the Greater Omaha area; Carol Speicher, retired from the Great Plains Resource & Conservation District (RC&D), residing in Lincoln; Angela Seaton, former Director, Nebraska State Office Corporation for National & Community Service, residing in Omaha. ServeNebraska would like to thank these outgoing commissioners for their faithful years of service to the state and Nebraska volunteerism.

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